



Rear Admiral Richard Ashbaugh

RADM (Ret.) Richard Ashbaugh was appointed the Chief Pharmacist Officer on June 1, 1981, by Surgeon General C. Everett Koop following the retirement of RADM Allen Brands. RADM Ashbaugh served in this capacity for 6 years. Graduating from the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy, his first PHS assignment was at the PHS hospital in New Orleans. RADM Ashbaugh served as Director of Pharmacy Services for the Bureau of Medical Services, and then Deputy Director for Ambulatory Services for the Bureau of Medical Services (BMS). After BMS closed operations, he became the Director of the Office of Health Facilities in the Bureau of Maternal and Child Health within the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), and then later became Deputy Director of the Bureau.